by him was not satisfactory I placed the matter before the Government.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know, Sir, whether the animals purchased were all of them quadrupeds or some of them only three legged?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—One of them was a little lame. With regard to that the Principal of the Veterinary College has stated that it was damaged in transport and that it will improve in due course and as such there was no objection to its being purchased.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Is there any improvement now?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not think there is much improvement.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know whether the Commissioner of Police or the Government has received any anonymous petition about this?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What is the practice that is being adopted when these animals are transferred from the charge of one officer to that of another officer?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I am only responsible for the horses purchased for His Highness' Body Guard. They are generally under the charge of the Veterinary Inspector until they are trained. I took charge of them only after they have been trained.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know what is the practice?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—In previous years the Commandant of the Nayar Brigade used to go for purchasing horses and so it will be under his charge.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Since there appears to be something rotten in this transaction will the Government be pleased to order a thorough enquiry in the matter?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The matter is already being carefully enquired into.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—May I know why a defective animal was purchased? Was it for want of a good animal?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No defective animal was purchased. It was only a little damaged in the course of transhipment.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to place the report on the Council Table after the enquiry is over?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Classification followed in periodical lists of appointments.

215. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform with reference to the answer to sub-division (d) of question No. 441, dated 12th August 1933—

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(a) what classification is being followed by the Heads of Departments in publishing the list;

(b) whether the same classification is being followed by all the Heads of Departments; and if not,

(c) what is the reason for this diversity;

(d) whether a uniform classification cannot be followed by all the Heads of Departments; and, if the answer is in the negative,

(e) why could it not be done?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Caste-war classification.

(b) Yes, though certain Heads of Departments show only the main castes in the list, while others include the sub-castes also.

(c) There is no real diversity as the main castes include the sub-castes also.

(d) Government will consider this question.

(e) Does not arise in view of the answer to (d).

Public Service Commission—Appointment of.

216. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether their attention has been drawn to the discussion in the Legislative Council on 15th February 1933, regarding the appointment of a Public Service Commission in the State;

(b) will they be pleased to state whether they have not given assurance more than once that such a Commission would be appointed very soon;

(c) in view of (a) and (b), will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for the inordinate delay in fulfilling their assurances?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a), (b) and (c). Yes. The matter is under consideration.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to say what is the cause for this exceptional delay? The same answer was given in the last meeting also.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I have already answered that it is under consideration. I cannot add anything further to it.

Delay in publishing Administration Reports.

217. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the names of the departments of which Administration Reports for the year 1107 were published;

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